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Applicant : Albert A. Reff Confirmation No. 3682  
Application No. : 09/845,754  
Filed : May 1, 2001  
Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING INVENTORY  
CONTROL OF MEDICAL OBJECTS  
  
Grp./Div. : 3627  
Examiner : Maria Teresa T. Thein  
  
Docket No. : 52585/R631

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June 2, 2006

**Commissioner:**

Enclosed is an amendment to the above-identified application.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
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Total Claims Fee	9	*20		x \$25.00	x \$50.00	
Independent Claims	1	** 4		x \$100.00	x \$200.00	
Multiple Dependent Claims ***				\$180.00	\$360.00	
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**Amendment Transmittal Letter**  
**Application No. 09/845,754**

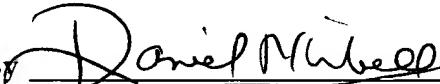
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X A Petition for Extension of Time and the required fee are enclosed.  
X Other enclosures: Return Postcard

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by or to give effect to this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. **A copy of this letter is enclosed.**

Respectfully submitted,

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